

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

**PATENT**

IN THE APPLICATION OF:

STEPHEN M. ALLEN ET. AL.

CASE NO.: BB1439USCNT

APPLICATION NO.: NOT YET  
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GROUP ART UNIT: NOT YET  
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EXAMINER: NOT YET ASSIGNED

FOR: STARCH BRANCHING ENZYME IIB

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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**Introductory Comments**

Before examination of the above-referenced application, please amend the application as follows: